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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 147

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 18 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Three-fifths of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

1	Section 1. Amend § 701, Title 18 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and
2	insertions as shown by underline as follows:
3	§ 701. Fee schedule.
4	Except as provided herein or otherwise by law, the Commissioner shall collect, in advance, fees, costs and
5	miscellaneous charges as follows:
6	(1) Insurer's certificate of authority.
7	a. For filing application for initial certificate of authority including all documents submitted as part of
8	such application \$700\\$1,000
9	b. Issuance of certificate of authority 100150
10	c. Annual continuation 100150
11	d. Reinstatement (§ 518 of this title) 100150
12	e. Amendment to include or delete lines of authority 100150
13	The fee for a duplicate or replacement certificate issued under this title shall be the same as required for an
14	original certificate.
15	(2) Dental plan organization license (§ 3804 of this title).
16	a. Original license 100150
17	b. Annual continuation 100150
18	(3) Health maintenance organizations license (Regulation 58 §§ 5 and 6). Managed care organizations license
19	(§ 6404 of this title).
20	a. Original license 500

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21	b. Annual continuation 100-150
22	(4) Fraternal associations (§ 6227 of this title).
23	a. Original license 25100
24	b. Renewal 25 <u>100</u>
25	c. Annual statement 25100
26	(5) Insurance premium finance company (§ 4802 of this title).
27	a. Original license 300 <u>500</u>
28	b. Annual continuation 300500
29	(6) Rating organization license.
30	a. Application for original license and issuance of license, if issued $\frac{100150}{1}$
31	b. Annual continuation 100–150
32	(7) Risk retention group.
33	a. Initial registration 400 <u>150</u>
34	b. Annual continuation 50150
35	(8) Risk purchasing group.
36	a. Initial registration 400-150
37	b. Annual continuation 50-150
38	(9) Accredited reinsurer.
39	a. Initial registration 100–150
40	b. Annual continuation 100—150
41	(10) Surplus lines insurer.
42	a. Initial registration 100—150
43	b. Annual continuation 100—150
44	(11) Captive insurer.
45	a. Application fee 200300
46	b. Annual continuation 300 400
47	(12) Reinsurance intermediary.
48	a. Initial license 100250
49	b. Annual continuation 50–100
50	(13) Solicitation permit application, filing.

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51	a. For initial financing 250
52	b. For subsequent filing 100
53	(14) Charter documents (other than those filed with application for certificate of authority). Filing
54	amendments to certificate of incorporation, or articles of incorporation, or charter, or bylaws, or power of attorney (as
55	to reciprocal insurers) or to other constituent documents of the insurer 10
56	(15) Annual statement filing of insurer 100150
57	(16) Registration statement of insurance holding company or member of insurance holding company system,
58	filing.
59	a. Annual registration statement filing 50100
60	b. Each amendment thereof $10\underline{100}$
61	(17) Form A filing 1001,000
62	(18) Copies of documents on file in the Department, (\$.25-50 per page) minimum 5
63	(19) Certifying and affixing official seals $5\underline{10}$
64	(20) Certified copy of insurer certificate of authority or of any license issued under this title 10
65	(21) Rate changes or deviations 100
66	(22) Service of process, acceptance.
67	Against unauthorized persons and insurers under Chapter 21 of this title 25
68	(23) Insurance producer (§ 1702(i) of this title), limited line credit insurance producer (as defined in § 1702 of
69	this title), limited lines producer (as defined in § 1702 of this title) and miscellaneous limited lines producer (§ 1708(f)
70	of this title).
71	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 75100
72	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004)
73	50 100
74	c. Resident insurance producer's, limited line credit insurance producer's, limited lines producer's initially
75	licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to
76	the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period referenced in paragraph (23)(b) of this section.
77	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
78	75 <u>100</u>
79	e. Nonresident producer's, nonresident limited line credit insurance producer, nonresident limited lines

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producer and nonresident miscellaneous limited lines producer's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the

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81	renewal deadline of February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific
82	biennial renewal period referenced in paragraph (23)d. of this section.
83	f. One-time appointment of insurance producer, limited line credit insurance producer, limited lines
84	producer and miscellaneous limited line producer (§ 1715 of this title), each insurer 2550
85	(24) Amendments to license issued under Chapter 17 of this title 1025
86	(25) Surplus lines broker (§ 1912 of this title):
87	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 200250
88	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004)
89	100 200
90	c. Resident surplus lines broker's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
91	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
92	referenced in paragraph (25)b. of this section.
93	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
94	<u>125200</u>
95	e. Nonresident surplus lines broker's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
96	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
97	referenced in paragraph (25)d. of this section.
98	(26) Fraternal representative (§ 1702(g) of this title):
99	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 75-100
100	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004) 50
101	<u>100</u>
102	c. Resident fraternal representative's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
103	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
104	referenced in paragraph (26)b. of this section.
105	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
106	75 - <u>100</u>
107	e. Nonresident fraternal representative's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
108	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period

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f. One-time appointment of fraternal representative (§ 1715 of this title), each society or association 2550

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referenced in paragraph (26)d. of this section.

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111	(27) Adjuster (§ 1702(a) of this title):
112	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 75–100
113	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004) 50
114	<u>100</u>
115	c. Resident adjuster's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of February 28
116	(December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period referenced in
117	paragraph (27)b. of this section.
118	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
119	75– <u>100</u>
120	e. Nonresident adjuster's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of February 28
121	(December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period referenced in
122	paragraph (27)d. of this section.
123	(28) Motor vehicle appraiser (§ 1702(c) of this title):
124	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 75—100
125	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004) 50
126	<u>100</u>
127	c. Resident motor vehicle appraiser's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
128	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
129	referenced in paragraph (28)b. of this section.
130	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
131	75— <u>100</u>
132	e. Nonresident motor vehicle appraiser's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
133	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
134	referenced in paragraph (28)d. of this section.
135	(29) Apprentices (§ 1702(d) of this title) and temporary insurance producer (§ 1711 of this title)
136	License (initial) 2550
137	(30) Viatical settlement provider (§ 7502(7) of this title):
138	a. Initial license (resident and nonresident) 150250
139	b. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004)
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141	c. Resident viatical settlement provider's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of
142	February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
143	referenced in paragraph (33)b. of this section.
144	d. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years ending in the numbers 1, 3, 5, 7,
145	9 beginning February 28, 2003) 175250
146	e. Nonresident viatical settlement provider's initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline
147	of February 28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal
148	period referenced in paragraph (30)d. of this section.
149	(31) Business entity (insurance agency, § 1702(f) of this title):
150	Initial license (resident and nonresident) 75100
151	a. Resident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in even years beginning February 28, 2004)
152	50 <u>100</u>
153	b. Resident business entity initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of February 28
154	(December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period referenced in
155	paragraph (23)b. of this section.
156	c. Nonresident license renewal (due biennially February 28 in odd years beginning February 28, 2003)
157	75 <u>100</u>
158	d. Nonresident business entity initially licensed within 90 days prior to the renewal deadline of February
159	28 (December 1-February 28) are not subject to the renewal fee for that specific biennial renewal period
160	referenced in paragraph (23)d. of this section.
161	(32) Vending machine, each year 50100
162	(33) Examination of insurer, see § 322 of this title.
163	(34) Form, advertising and/or rule filings for each insurance policy or annuity contract or application $\frac{100150}{1}$
164	(35) Bail agent, initial and renewal
165	Bail agent 100200
166	(36)a. For initial licensing of a discount medical plan organization: 500
167	b. For renewal of discount medical plan organization license: 100250
168	(37) Limited lines travel insurance producers (that are registering travel retailers under chapter 17B of this
169	title):
170	a. For initial licensing of a limited lines travel insurance producer: 1,000

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b. For renewal of a limited lines travel insurance producer license: 500	0
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172 c. Licensing periods, renewal dates and appointments for limited lines travel insurance producers are subject to paragraph (23) of this section.

Section 2. Amend § 714, Title 18 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 714. Expenses and fees for form and rate filings.

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In addition to a filing fee of \$50150, the expenses and fees of the Department of Insurance for the review and determination of a form and rate filing by an insurer shall be assessed to and paid by the insurer and shall include the reasonable and proper expenses of the Commissioner and the Commissioner's examiners and assistants, including expert assistance contracted for by the Commissioner. Such insurer shall promptly pay the form and rate filing review expense upon presentation by the Commissioner or the Commissioner's examiners of a reasonably detailed written account thereof.

Section 3. Amend § 4802, Title 18 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 4802. License required of insurance premium finance companies.

(a) No person shall engage in the business of financing insurance premiums in this State without first having obtained a license as a premium finance company from the Commissioner, unless such person is exempted from obtaining such a license pursuant to § 4810 of this title. The fee for such a license shall be the sum of \$300-500 per year which license shall be valid until the 1st day of January at which time it may be renewed for a full year and every year thereafter provided that the licensee shall have paid the said annual license fee of \$300-500 and shall otherwise qualify for a license hereunder. All fees for licenses hereunder shall be paid to the Commissioner.

SYNOPSIS

This bill implements across-the-board increases to the filing fees associated with Department of Insurance filings, including for insurer Certificates of Authority, producer and adjuster licenses, annual statement filings, and rate and rule filings.

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